FINAL SPRING, 1951 REPORT: REGION 10, INTERCOLLEGIATE BROADCASTING SYSTEM

(including mail vote reports and final voting)

MEETING: Los Angeles, California, March 2 and 3
in conjunction with the WESTERN RADIO-TELEVISION CONFER ENCE

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There wefe two scheduled student meetings at the Conference. The first was held at 9:00 AM March 3 at the ABC Television Center. The other was at 4:00 PM March 3 at the Hancock Foundation, University of Southern California.

Stations represented at both meetings were from Washington and California. They were:

KEWC, Eastern Washington College of Education, Cheney, Washington

KAEO, College of the Pacific, Stockton, California

KXLU, Loyola University, Los Angeles, California

KRJC, Modesto Junior College, Modesto, California

KCSC, Chico State College, Chico, California

KTRU, University of Southern California, has suspended operations and was not represented.

KZSU, Stanford University, KUOI, University of Idaho, and KHSM, Saint Mary's College, wrote in advance that travel expense would prevent their participation.

It was initially decided that although exactly half the stations were represented, they would consider themselves a quorum due to the fact that other stations had reported in advance their reason for being absent, with the stipulation that major issues would be submitted to other stations for a mail vote. Since relatively few IBS stations were represented, although the total student representation was large, rules of procedure were modified to allow discussion from all candidates. However, only official delegates would be recognized in station policy matters and each station would have but one vote. The non-IBS stations, both future members, were allowed participation in discussion, but no vote.

After opeing formalities in the shorter morning session, the Regional Director, after explanation and discussion from the floor, put to a vote the question of continued IBS affiliation. (Complete background has been sent to each station in the form of periodic reports following the fall meeting at Stanford University, at which the question had originally arisen.)

Regarding the question of continued affiliation with the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System, three alternatives were brought forth: (1) Remain with the System as it stands, accepting the plan of regional support. (2) Withdraw completely with the stipulation that a regional organization on the lines of the Western Intercollegiate Network would be set up. (3) Remain with the System but suggest changes that would make it more acceptable to its members. It is assumed in this section that the plan of regional support be accepted. Point (3) was approved unanimously.

Since it was apparent to the delegates that the rest of the meetings would hinge on that decision, it was declared final, but the plan for modification of IBS would be put to a mail vote of the stations. A committee was named to draft the amendment. The Director asked each station to name one delegate to the committee. The non-IBS stations were represented, since the result would affect their future standing in the System, but they had no vote on the Committee.

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First order of business in the afternoon meeting was submission by the Director of the formal resolution. Changes were made by the membership in qualifications for Engineering Director and in the method of nominating national officers. The resolution, as amended, was passed unanimously. Subsequently it was passed unanimously by mail vote of the remaining member stations.

On a motion from the floor, the Director was instructed to offer to a California State Committee on Adult Education the facilities of member colleges in their development of a tape network for adult education. Both production and distribution facilities were offered. Contacted was Harlan H. Adams, Executive Dean, Chico State College. Mr. Adams has subsequently been contacted. The offer was considered most gracious, and has been presented to the full commission. At this date no further action has been called for by that Commission.

Elections were the next business. The stations voted unanimously to retain the present Director and Advertising Manager until May 15. This was done due to the fact that a previous motion had allowed nominations to come by mail until March 20, and it was felt a new set of officers elected by mail could not be expected to take effective control immediately.

Two nominations were made for the respective positions at that time. Following mail nominations, the original nominees were retained. New officers for Region 10, Intercollegiate Broadcasting System, are:

Regional Director: Ramona Miner, KEWC

Regional Advertising Manager: Beth Miller, KAEO

There being no further business at the meeting, the session was adjourned.

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To give a complete summary, one unscheduled meeting will be reported upon. Heads of all stations represented met with the Regional Director the night of March 2 to plan the general outlines of the conference. The meeting was called by the Director due to the short time alloted IBS in the regular sessions. Meeting was held in the Drake Hotel, Los Angeles. There the broad time schedule for the conference was outlined. This was the only other meeting held.

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